MR. K. SIVARAMA PANIKKAR (*Shertallai*): Was he satisfied that it was in a bad condition?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): That is what he says.

MR. K. SIVARAMA PANIKKAR (*Shertallai*): Has the Executive Engineer inspected the road at any time before he went along with the Chief Engineer?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): I am unable to say.

MR. K. SIVARAMA PANIKKAR (*Shertallai*): How many times has the Executive Engineer visited the road last year?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): No information has been collected on that point. Besides, that does not seem to arise as a supplementary question in this connection, Sir.

Training School for Women in North Travancore.

215. **MR. K. SIVARAMA PANIKKAR** (*Shertallai*): (1) Will the Government be pleased to state the number of Training Schools for Vernacular School Teachers in the State?

(2) Are the Government aware that women teachers in the northern parts of the State are put to very great inconvenience in having to go all the way to Trivandrum to get themselves trained?

(3) Will the Government be pleased to consider the question of starting a Training School for women teachers somewhere in North Travancore?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (1) 20 of which 11 are departmental and 9 private.

(2) The Government are aware that women teachers in departmental schools in the northern districts are put to some inconvenience for want of a departmental training school there.

(3) Yes.

Percentages of Passes in History in the E. S. L. C. Examinations.

216. **MR. K. SIVARAMA PANIKKAR** (*Shertallai*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the percentages of passes in optional histories in the E. S. L. C. Examinations in the last three years (1100 to 1102);

(*b*) whether they consider the percentages sufficiently satisfactory; and

(*c*) if not, whether they have enquired into the causes of failure in both Indian and English histories?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Of those examined in History of India, and those examined in the History of Great Britain and Ireland, the percentages of those securing 35 per cent. of the maximum marks for the last three years are given below:—

	1925	*1926*	*1927*
History of India	48·7	54·4	63·9
History of Great Britain and Ireland	40·6	55·3	43·7

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